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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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## Reuse Guide for the Victor Valley Guide Lists More than 45 Places to Donate Household Items

Victorville, CA—The City of Victorville Environmental Programs Division recently updated its Reuse Guide for the Victor Valley. The Reuse Guide is a comprehensive listing of where to donate or re-sell household items.

The Reuse Guide contains a list of over 45 local and regional organizations that accept donations of clothing, furniture, household items, and even building materials. The organizations listed either use the items directly in providing assistance to local residents, or the groups re-sell the items in thrift stores and use the proceeds to support their programs. The Guide includes information about which groups can pick up items as well as what groups will provide a tax receipt for charitable donation.

The Guide also has a list of on-line resources for people who want to sell, trade, or give away items directly to other individuals.

Reuse is a great way to save natural resources and also help local non-profit groups. By reusing, valuable items are kept out of the landfill. Those items can be re-sold to generate revenues for the many non-profit groups in the region which provide assistance to individuals needing help. This creates a "win-win" situation for the environment and the community.

In the Victor Valley, all trash ends up at the County's Victorville Landfill, where it is compacted and buried. Throwing away unwanted—but still usable—household items wastes resources, uses up landfill space, and costs residents money for disposal. Keeping items out of the landfill is a much better option, both environmentally and financially.

The Reuse Guide for the Victor Valley is available on the City's recycling information website: <a href="https://www.VictorvilleRecycles.com">www.VictorvilleRecycles.com</a> (look for "Reuse Guide"). A copy can also be requested by calling the City of Victorville Recycling Program at (760) 955-8615.